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Headline estimates of employment, unemployment, underemployment, participation and hours worked from the monthly Labour Force Survey

Reference period February 2025

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Key statistics

In trend terms, in February 2025:

- unemployment rate remained at 4.0%.
- participation rate remained at 67.0%.
- employment increased to 14,547,800.
- employment to population ratio decreased to 64.2%.
- underemployment remained at 5.9%.
- monthly hours worked increased to 1,980 million.

In seasonally adjusted terms, in February 2025:

- unemployment rate remained at 4.1%.
- participation rate decreased to 66.8%.

- employment decreased to 14,513,200.
- employment to population ratio decreased to 64.1%.
- underemployment rate decreased to 5.9%.
- monthly hours worked decreased to 1,973 million.
- full-time employment decreased by 35,700 to 10,007,300 people.
- part-time employment decreased by 17,000 to 4,505,900 people.

Key statistics - Trend

	Jan-25	Feb-25	Monthly change	Monthly change (%)	Yearly change	Yearly change (%)
Employed people	14,532,600	14,547,800	15,200	0.1%	340,000	2.4%
Unemployed people	612,000	613,900	1,900	0.3%	31,400	5.4%
Unemployment rate	4.0%	4.0%	0.0 pts	na	0.1 pts	na
Underemployment rate	5.9%	5.9%	0.0 pts	na	-0.7 pts	na
Participation rate	67.0%	67.0%	0.0 pts	na	0.3 pts	na
Monthly hours worked in all jobs	1,976 million	1,980 million	4 million	0.2%	54 million	2.8%

Key statistics - Seasonally adjusted

	Jan-25	Feb-25	Monthly change	Monthly change (%)	Yearly change	Yearly change (%)
Employed people	14,566,000	14,513,200	-52,800	-0.4%	266,200	1.9%
Unemployed people	623,800	612,600	-11,200	-1.8%	61,300	11.1%
Unemployment rate	4.1%	4.1%	-0.1 pts	na	0.3 pts	na
Underemployment rate	6.0%	5.9%	-0.1 pts	na	-0.7 pts	na
Participation rate	67.2%	66.8%	-0.4 pts	na	0.1 pts	na
Monthly hours worked in all jobs	1,981 million	1,973 million	-8 million	-0.4%	46 million	2.4%

Estimates of changes throughout this release are calculated using un-rounded level estimates and may be different from, but are more accurate than, movements obtained from the rounded level estimates.

For definitions of labour statistics used in this publication, please refer to [Glossary of Labour Force, Australia methodology \(/methodologies/labour-force-australia-methodology/feb-2025#glossary\).](#)

Survey impacts and changes

Assessing and managing the impacts of natural disasters on Labour Force Statistics



Flooding in Northern Queensland in February 2025, particularly in Townsville, resulted in some disruptions to the collection of the Labour Force Survey. The ABS has reviewed the data for February and confirmed that there has not been an impact on the quality of estimates for Australia, Queensland, or for the broader 'Rest of Queensland' region. No imputation or adjustment to the standard weighting and estimation approach has been required for February.

The ABS has also reviewed the data at the regional level (SA4 level), where some minor localised data impacts were evident. In the February detailed Labour Force release, data will be suppressed for Townsville and Cairns for February. The ABS will review the estimates for February in these regions when March data are available, and consider whether any additional treatment is required.

In the meantime, data for these regions will remain available in datacube MRM1 of the detailed release. These modelled regional labour market statistics are the best source of regional labour market data and are also not

impacted by short-term data collection disruption.

The ABS is also monitoring the impacts from Tropical Cyclone Alfred and resulting flooding on the collection of the March Labour Force Survey. A summary of the assessment of the March data and whether any treatments were required will be included in the next release.

Survey response and timeline



The February 2025 Labour Force Survey was run in respect of the two weeks from Sunday 2 February to Saturday 15 February, and collected over the period from Sunday 9 February to Saturday 1 March.

The ABS would like to thank Australians for their continued support in responding to our surveys, given how critically important this information is.

Reference and Enumeration Dates

Publication	Start of Reference Week	End of Reference Week	Start of Enumeration	End of Enumeration
Jan-25	5th January 2025	18th January 2025	12th January 2025	1st February 2025
Feb-25	2nd February 2025	15th February 2025	9th February 2025	1st March 2025
Mar-25	2nd March 2025	15th March 2025	9th March 2025	29th March 2025
Apr-25	30th March 2025	12th April 2025	6th April 2025	26th April 2025
May-25	4th May 2025	17th May 2025	11th May 2025	31st May 2025
Jun-25	1st June 2025	14th June 2025	8th June 2025	28th June 2025

Release of Labour Force Survey TableBuilder product

The ABS has recently released Labour Force Survey data into [TableBuilder \(/statistics/microdata-tablebuilder/available-microdata-tablebuilder/labour-force-survey\)](#). Data from August 2006 to July 2024 is currently available, with the intention to move to more concurrent and frequent releases of data later this year.

The TableBuilder product will allow users to create custom tables on a wide range of Labour Force Survey data, usually only available in set products in [Labour Force, Australia, Detailed \(/statistics/labour/employment-and-unemployment/labour-force-australia-detailed/latest-release\)](#). This new product will be in addition to the existing Labour Force Supplementary Survey datasets currently available in TableBuilder (e.g. Characteristics of Employment).

New TableBuilder users will need to [register \(/statistics/microdata-tablebuilder/tablebuilder\)](#) to gain access. Existing TableBuilder users can request access to the dataset by contacting microdata.access@abs.gov.au (<mailto:microdata.access@abs.gov.au>)
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Further information about this product, as well as other Labour Force Survey outputs, can be found in the new [Labour Force Survey products and data item guide \(/statistics/understanding-statistics/guide-labour-statistics/labour-force-survey-products-and-data-item-guide\)](#).

This release is one of many planned improvements to how users can access and interact with an expanded range of labour statistics products, as part of an investment to address priority labour market data gaps. Further information on this work can be found in [Labour statistics recent and upcoming developments \(/statistics/understanding-statistics/guide-labour-statistics/labour-statistics-recent-and-upcoming-developments\)](#).

Article

The ABS has included [Spotlight: Changes in participation rates for men and women in Australia \(/articles/spotlight-changes-participation-rates-men-and-women-australia\)](/articles/spotlight-changes-participation-rates-men-and-women-australia) to provide further context around trends in the participation rate and given interest in the ABS providing insights into these statistics.

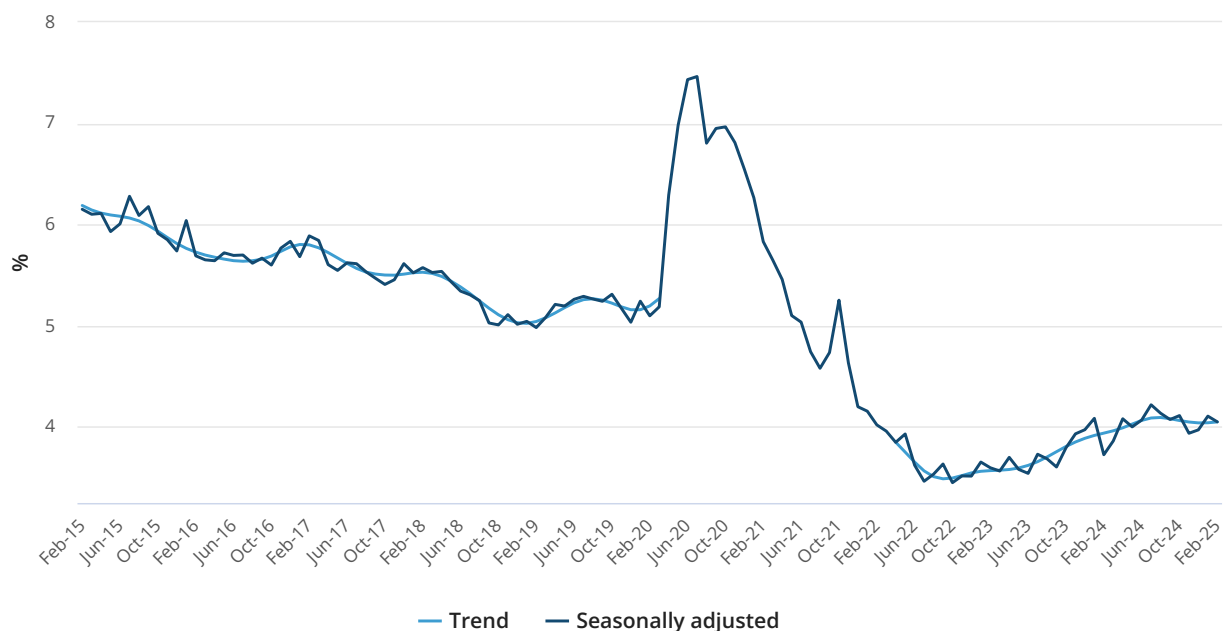
For a list of previously published LFS articles, see the [Article archive \(/statistics/labour/employment-and-unemployment/labour-force-australia/latest-release#article-archive\)](/statistics/labour/employment-and-unemployment/labour-force-australia/latest-release#article-archive).

Unemployment

In trend terms, in February 2025:

- unemployment rate remained at 4.0%.
- unemployed people increased by 1,900 to 613,900.
- youth unemployment rate remained at 9.0%.

Unemployment rate



Large month-to-month changes occurred during the COVID-19 pandemic, resulting in multiple trend breaks. The ABS recommends caution when using trend estimates published in spreadsheets in this release for this period. Information on trend breaks can be found in [Labour Force, Australia methodology, February 2025 \(/methodologies/labour-force-australia-methodology/feb-2025\)](/methodologies/labour-force-australia-methodology/feb-2025).

Employment

In trend terms, in February 2025, employment increased by 15,200 people (0.1%) to 14,547,800 people.

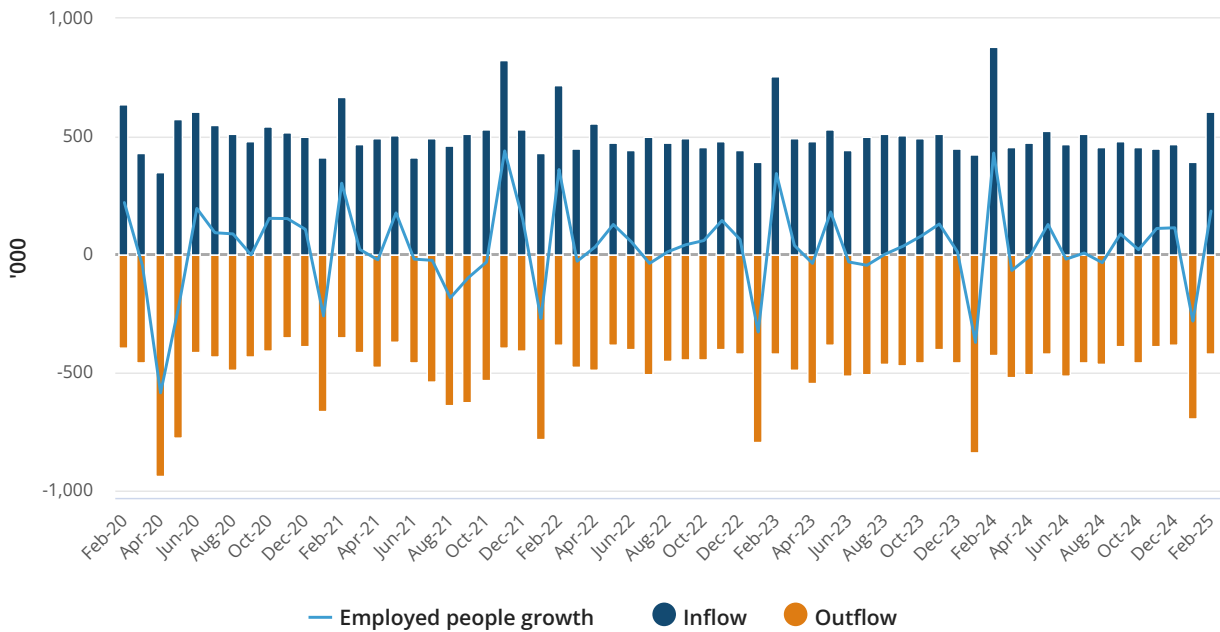
Flows into and out of employment



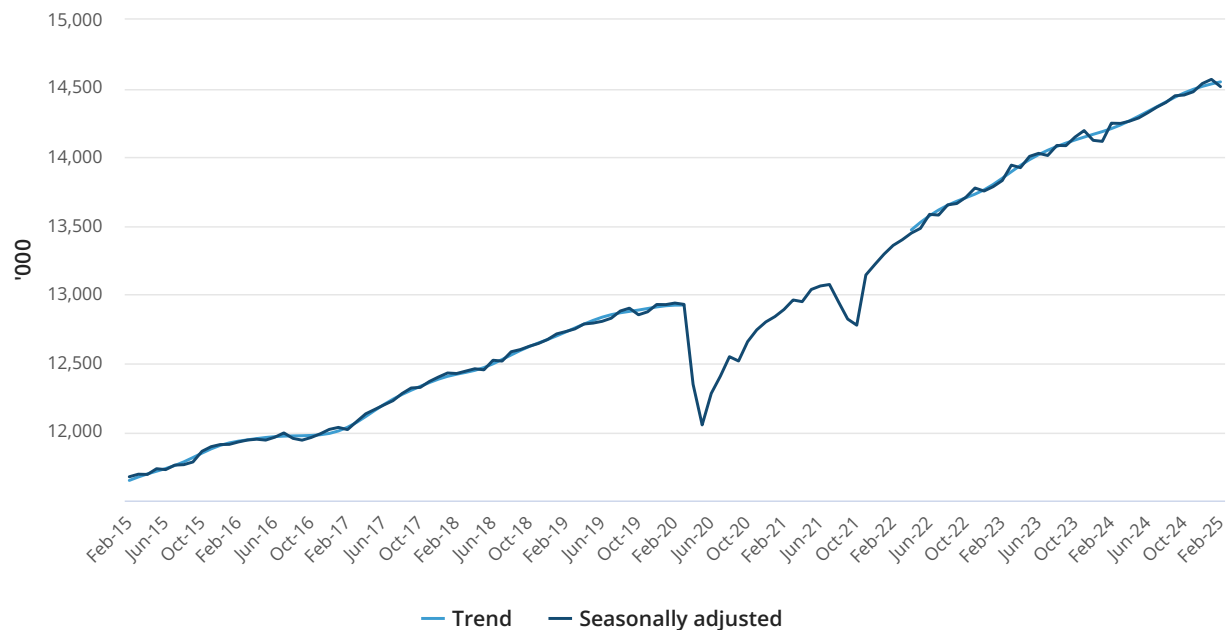
Flows into and out of employment are extensive and are based on the net matched sample of original employment growth between two consecutive months (around 80% of the sample). The (net) sum of the inflows and outflows does not necessarily equal the 'net' employment growth.

For February 2025, the net change in the number of employed people is the result of around 606,000 people entering employment (i.e. they were not employed in January 2025 but were employed in February 2025), while around 419,000 people left employment (i.e. they were employed in January 2025 but not employed in February 2025). This contrasts with January 2025, where around 391,000 people entered employment and around 696,000 people left employment.

Monthly inflows, outflows and employment growth, Original



Employed people



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Full-time and part-time employment

In trend terms, in February 2025:

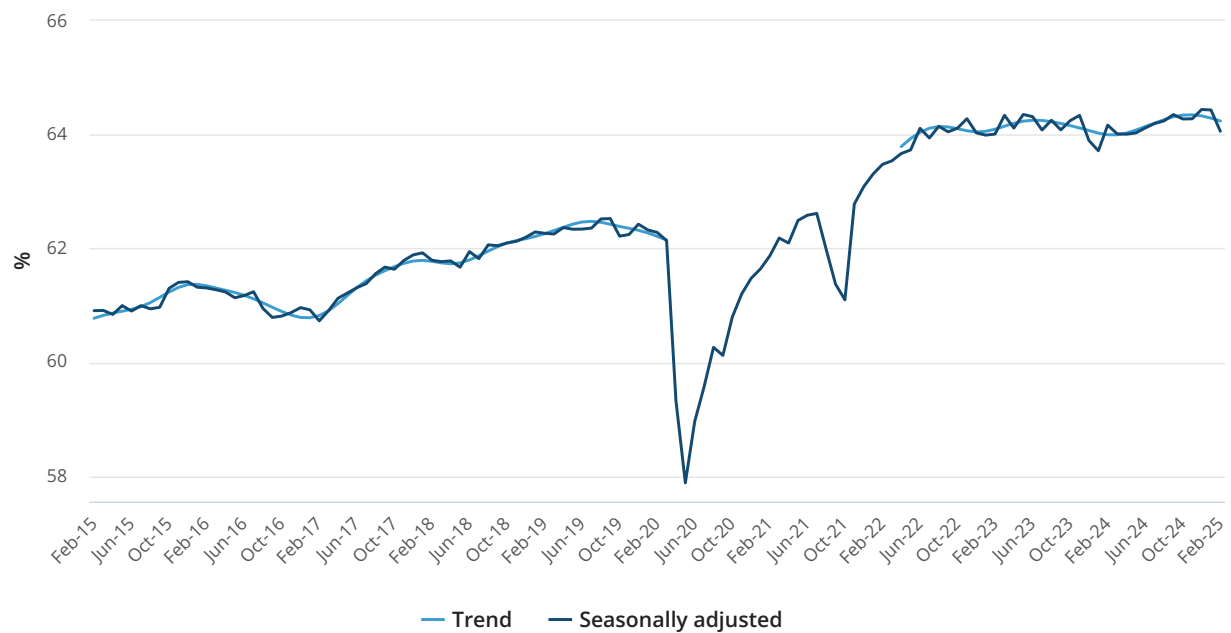
- full-time employment increased by 6,400 to 10,031,300 people, and part-time employment increased by 8,800 to 4,516,500 people.
- part-time share of employment was 31.0%.

Employment-to-population ratio

In trend terms, in February 2025, the employment-to-population ratio decreased to 64.2%.

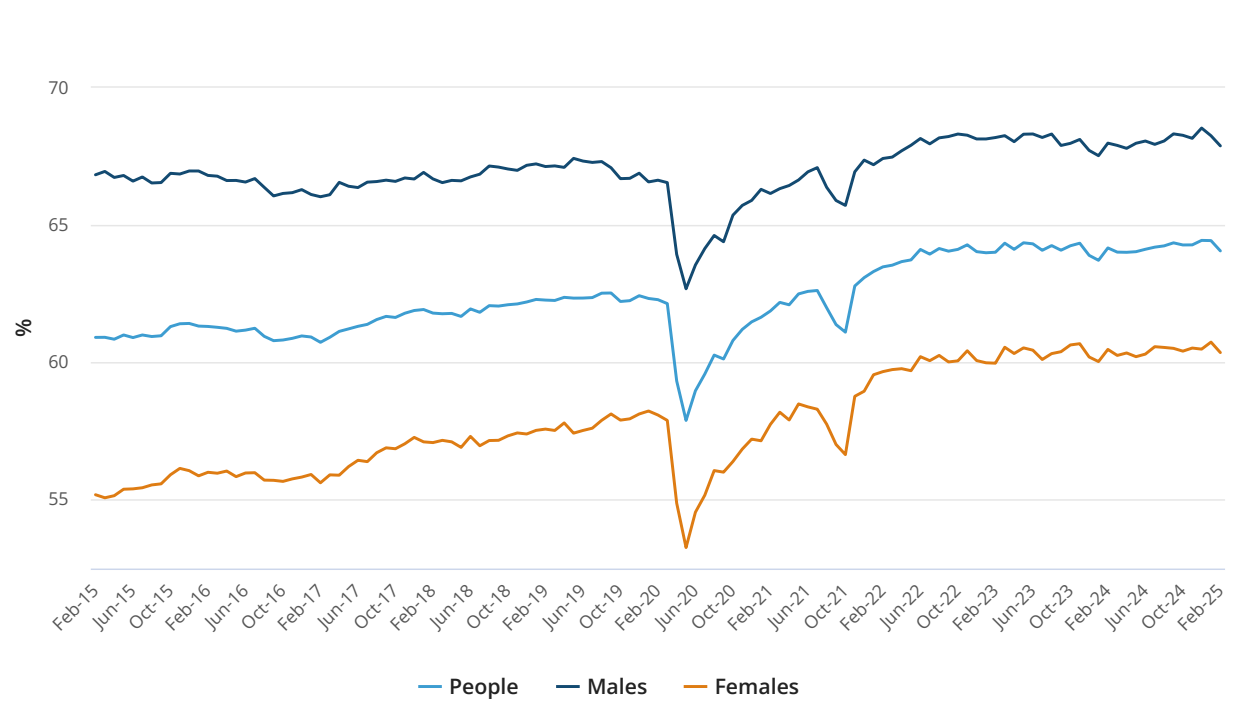
The employment-to-population ratio provides a measure of employment relative to the size of the population.

Employment-to-population ratio



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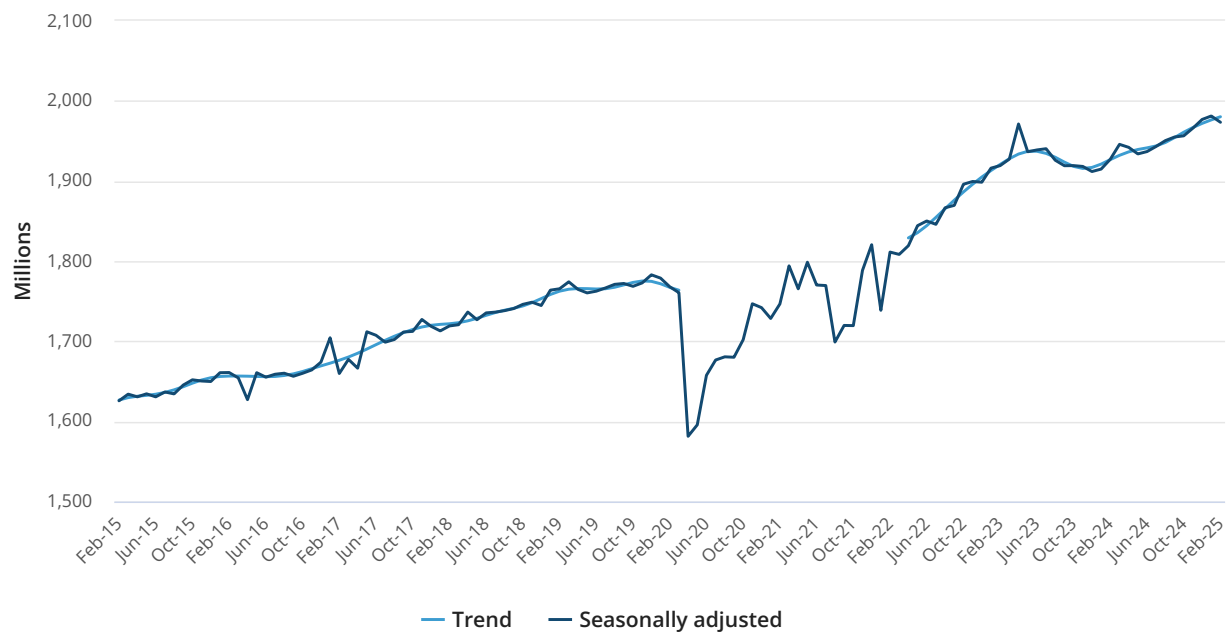
Employment-to-population ratio, Seasonally adjusted



Hours worked

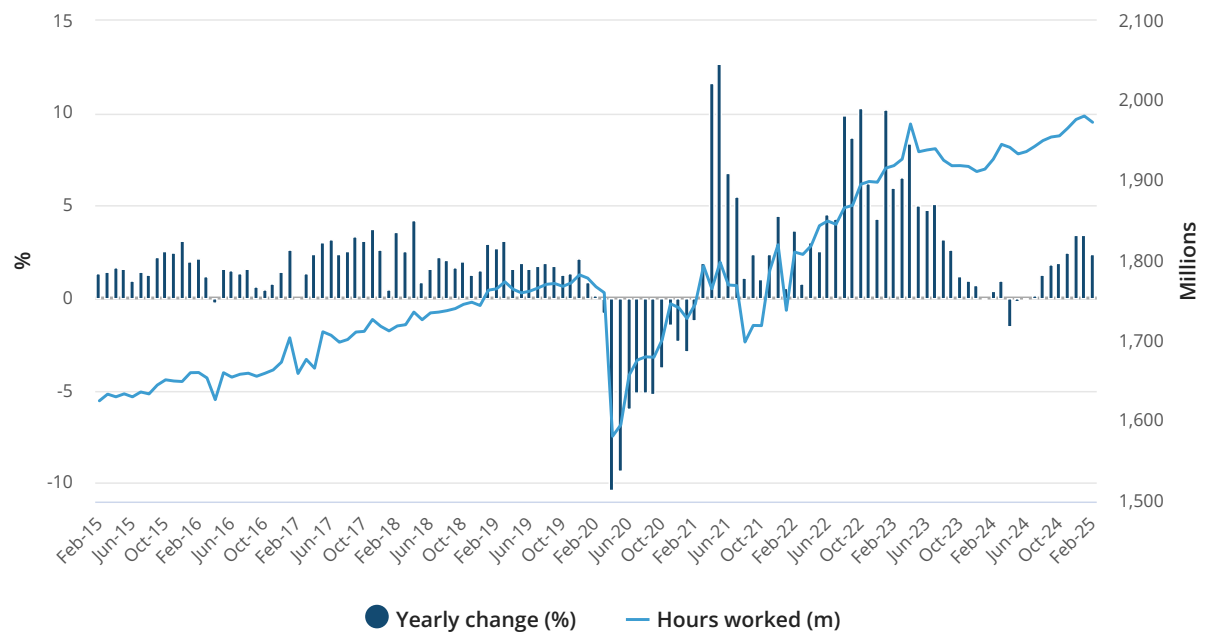
In trend terms, in February 2025, monthly hours worked in all jobs increased by 3.9 million hours (0.2%) to 1,980 million hours.

Monthly hours worked in all jobs



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Monthly hours worked in all jobs, Seasonally adjusted

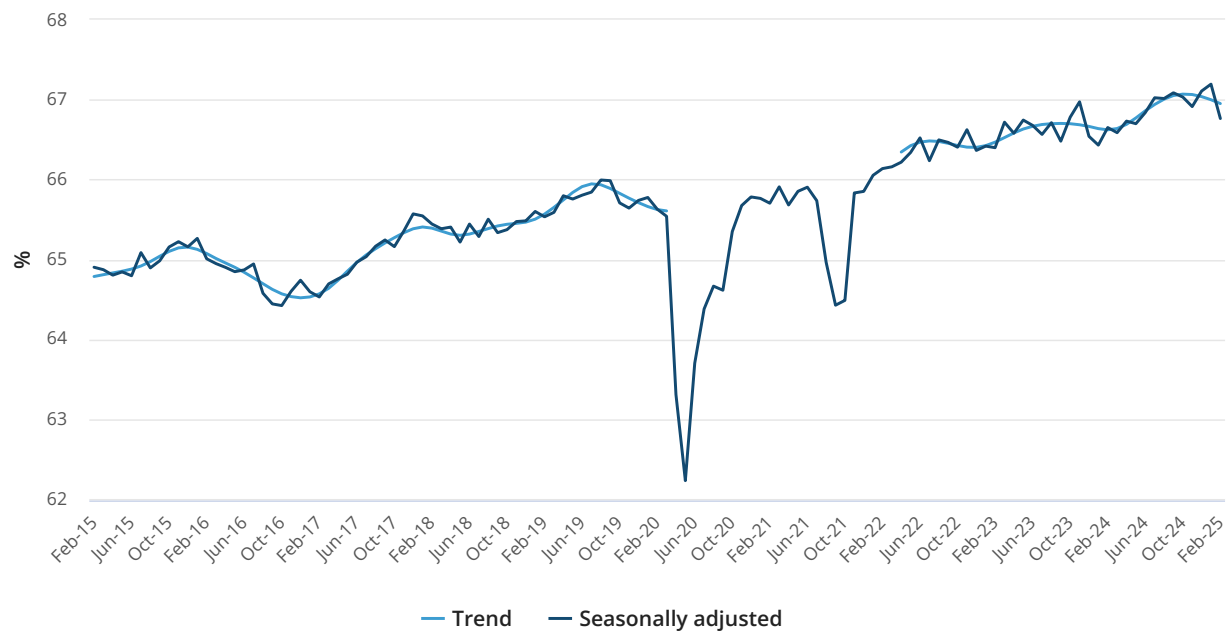


Participation

In trend terms, in February 2025, the participation rate:

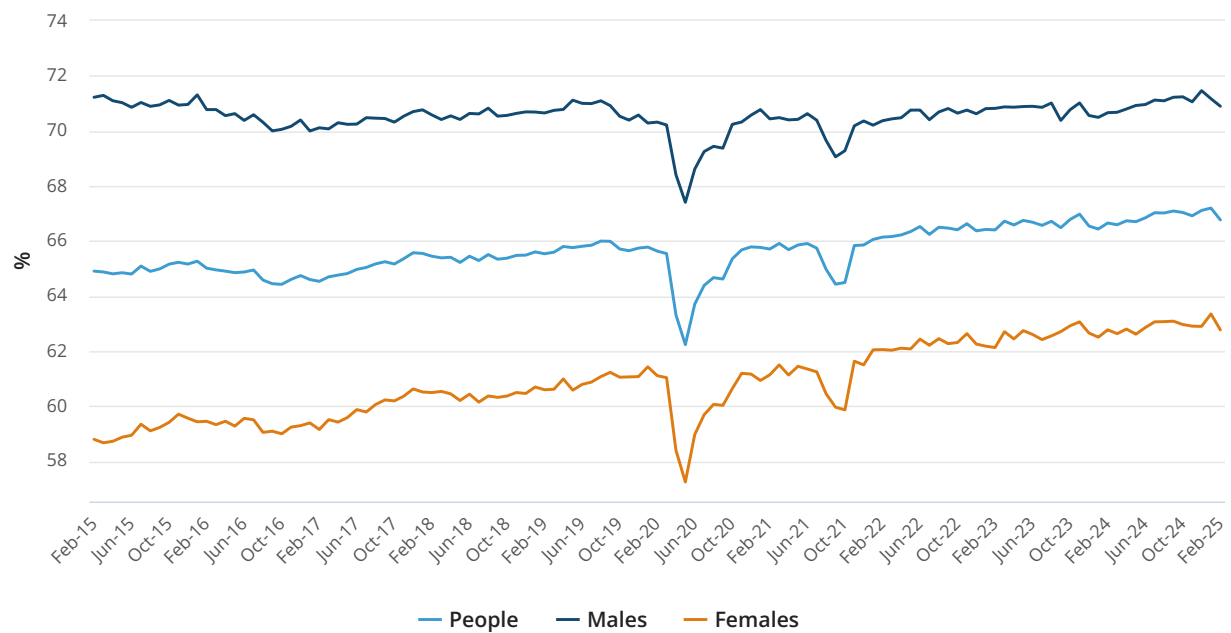
- remained at 67.0%.
- remained at 71.1% for men and 63.0% for women.

Participation rate



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Participation rate, Seasonally adjusted

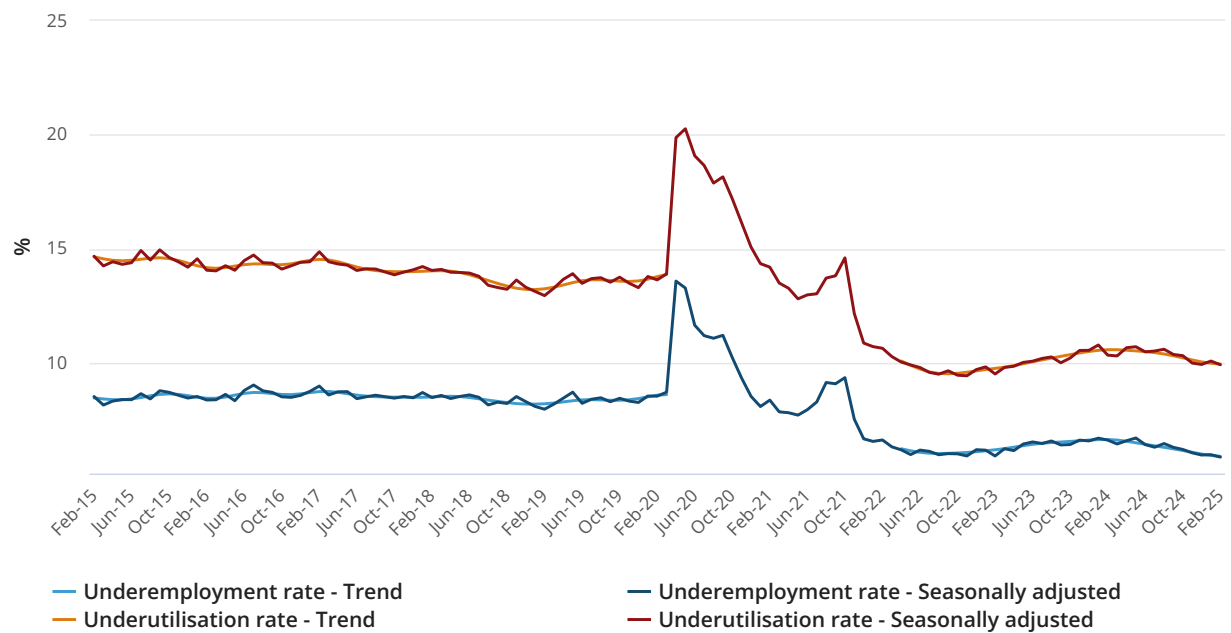


Underemployment

In trend terms, in February 2025:

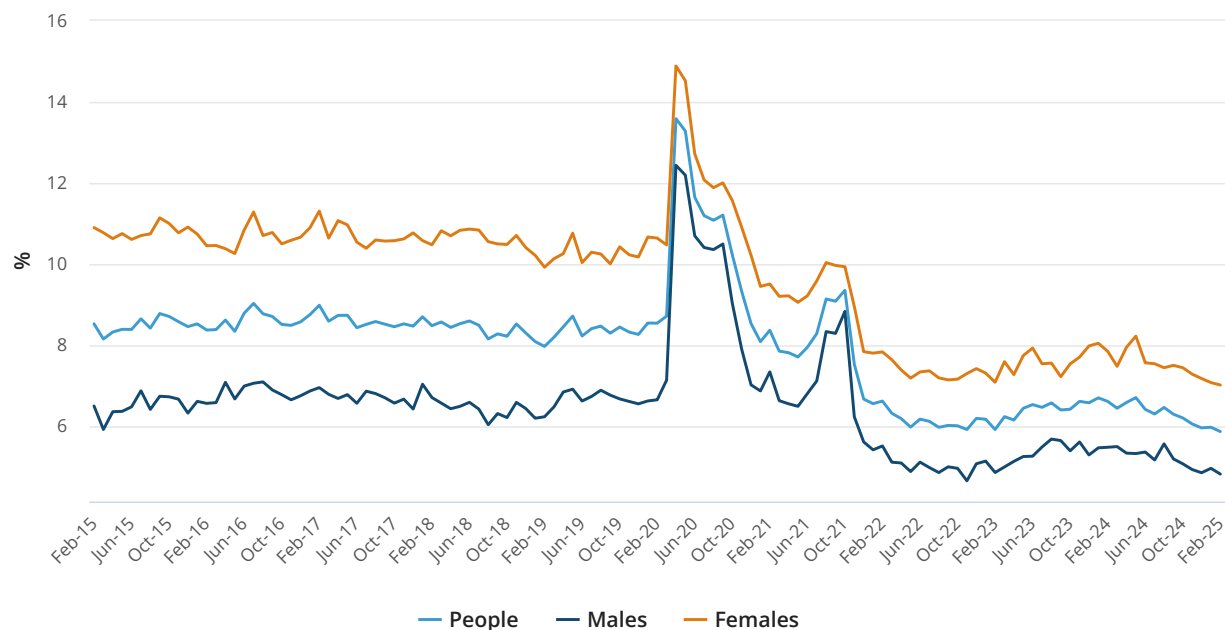
- underemployment rate remained at 5.9%.
- underutilisation rate decreased to 9.9%.

Underemployment rate and underutilisation rate



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Underemployment rate, Seasonally adjusted



States and Territories

February 2025 - Trend

	New South Wales	Victoria	Queensland	South Australia	Western Australia	Tasmania	Northern Territory	Australian Capital Territory	Australia
Employed people	4,497,200	3,777,000	2,978,400	959,000	1,643,300	280,600	139,900	272,200	14,547,800
Employed people - monthly change	0.1%	0.0%	0.0%	0.2%	0.4%	0.1%	0.5%	0.0%	0.1%
Employment to population ratio	63.7%	64.6%	64.3%	60.8%	66.7%	57.8%	69.7%	69.9%	64.2%
Employment to population ratio - monthly change	0.0 pts	-0.2 pts	-0.1 pts	0.0 pts	0.1 pts	0.0 pts	0.3 pts	-0.1 pts	-0.1 pts
Unemployment rate	4.0%	4.6%	3.9%	4.0%	3.5%	4.0%	4.3%	3.0%	4.0%
Unemployment rate - monthly change	0.0 pts	0.0 pts	0.0 pts	0.0 pts	0.0 pts	0.0 pts	0.0 pts	0.0 pts	0.0 pts
Underemployment rate	5.7%	6.1%	6.2%	6.3%	5.6%	7.7%	3.7%	4.4%	5.9%
Underemployment rate - monthly change	-0.1 pts	-0.1 pts	0.0 pts	-0.2 pts	0.0 pts	0.0 pts	-0.1 pts	0.0 pts	0.0 pts
Participation rate	66.3%	67.8%	67.0%	63.3%	69.1%	60.2%	72.9%	72.1%	67.0%
Participation rate - monthly change	0.0 pts	-0.1 pts	-0.1 pts	0.0 pts	0.1 pts	0.0 pts	0.3 pts	-0.1 pts	0.0 pts

February 2025 - Seasonally adjusted

	New South Wales	Victoria	Queensland	South Australia	Western Australia	Tasmania	Northern Territory	Australian Capital Territory	Australia
Employed people	4,477,600	3,767,900	2,961,700	959,200	1,643,500	279,000	139,800	271,200	14,513,200
Employed people - monthly change	-0.5%	-0.3%	-0.8%	-1.2%	0.3%	-3.0%	0.2%	-0.9%	-0.4%
Employment to population ratio	63.4%	64.4%	64.0%	60.8%	66.7%	57.5%	69.7%	69.6%	64.1%
Employment to population ratio - monthly change	-0.4 pts	-0.3 pts	-0.6 pts	-0.8 pts	0.0 pts	-1.8 pts	0.1 pts	-0.8 pts	-0.4 pts
Unemployment rate	4.0%	4.6%	4.1%	3.7%	3.4%	4.0%	4.3%	2.6%	4.1%

	New South Wales	Victoria	Queensland	South Australia	Western Australia	Tasmania	Northern Territory	Australian Capital Territory	Australia
Unemployment rate - monthly change	0.0 pts	0.0 pts	0.1 pts	-0.4 pts	-0.2 pts	0.4 pts	-0.2 pts	-0.6 pts	-0.1 pts
Underemployment rate	5.7%	6.1%	6.2%	6.2%	5.6%	7.6%	3.5%	4.4%	5.9%
Underemployment rate - monthly change	-0.2 pts	0.2 pts	-0.2 pts	-0.4 pts	-0.1 pts	-0.3 pts	-1.6 pts	-0.9 pts	-0.1 pts
Participation rate	66.1%	67.6%	66.7%	63.2%	69.1%	59.9%	72.8%	71.4%	66.8%
Participation rate - monthly change	-0.5 pts	-0.4 pts	-0.6 pts	-1.1 pts	-0.1 pts	-1.6 pts	-0.1 pts	-1.2 pts	-0.4 pts

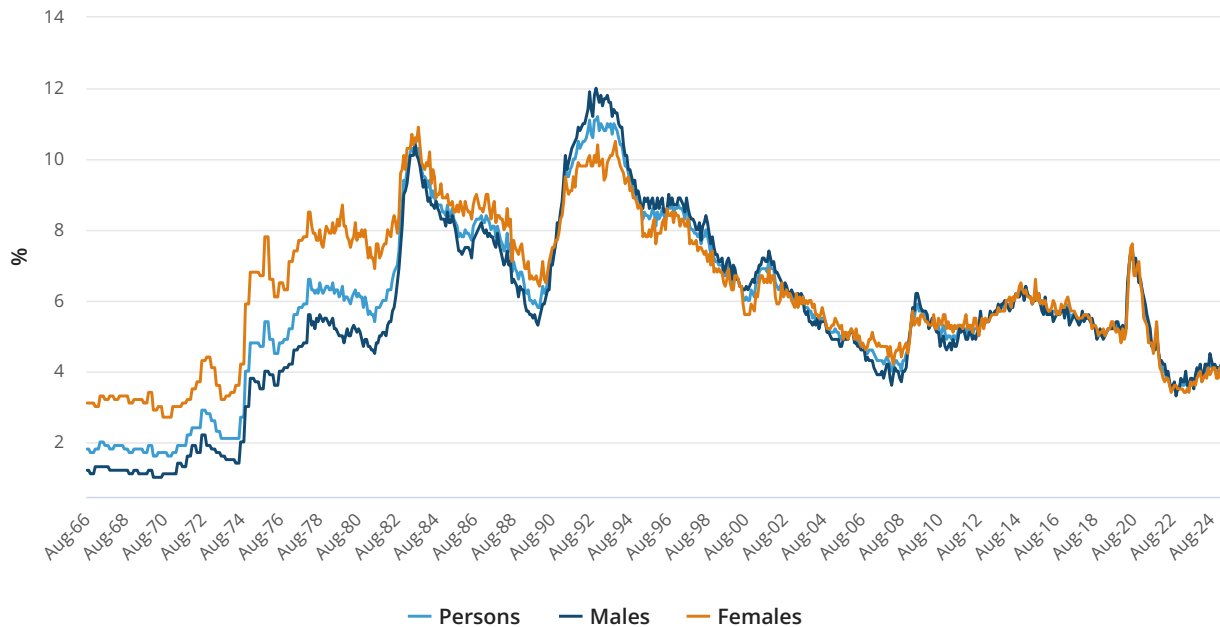
Historical charts

Historical charts for employed, unemployed, unemployment rate and participation rate from August 1966 to February 2025

Historical Labour Force estimates of employment, unemployment rate, and participation rate from the historical quarterly and monthly Labour Force Survey.

Prior to 1978 the historical Labour Force Survey was collected quarterly; the current Labour Force Survey is collected monthly. Please refer to the [history of changes \(/methodologies/labour-force-australia-methodology/feb-2025#history-of-changes\)](#) to see the differences between the historical and current Labour Force Survey.

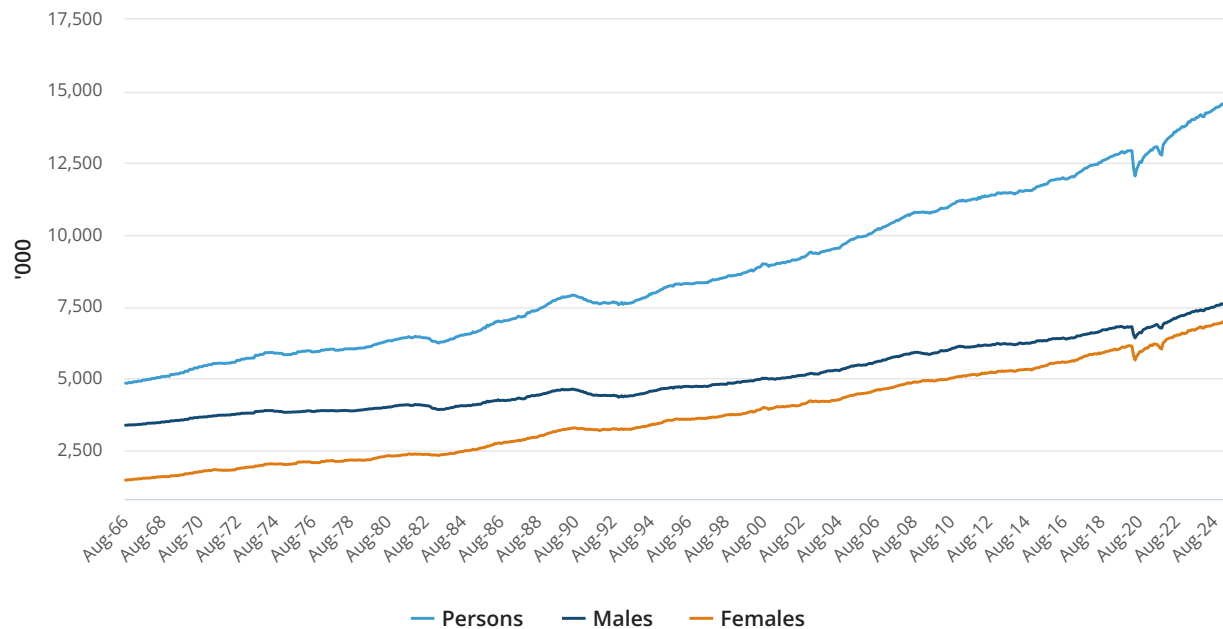
Unemployment rate, Australia, August 1966 to February 2025, Seasonally adjusted



February 1978 to February 2025 estimated monthly, before February 1978 estimated quarterly

Source: [6204.0.55.001 Labour Force Historical Timeseries, Australia, 1966-1984, Seasonally adjusted estimates of the labour force by sex and marital status - 1966-1977](#) (<https://www.abs.gov.au/AUSSTATS/abs%40.nsf/DetailsPage/6204.0.55.0011966%20to%201984?OpenDocument>), and [6202.0 Labour Force, Australia, Table 1 \(/statistics/labour/employment-and-unemployment/labour-force-australia/latest-release#data-downloads\)](#).

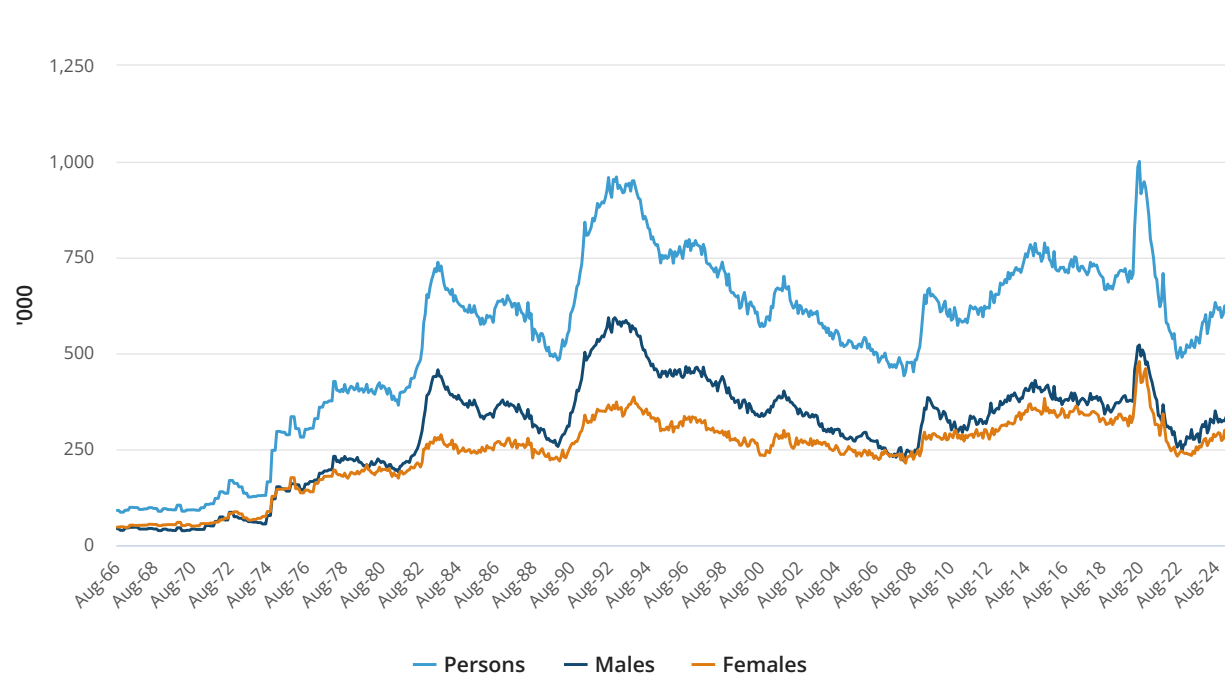
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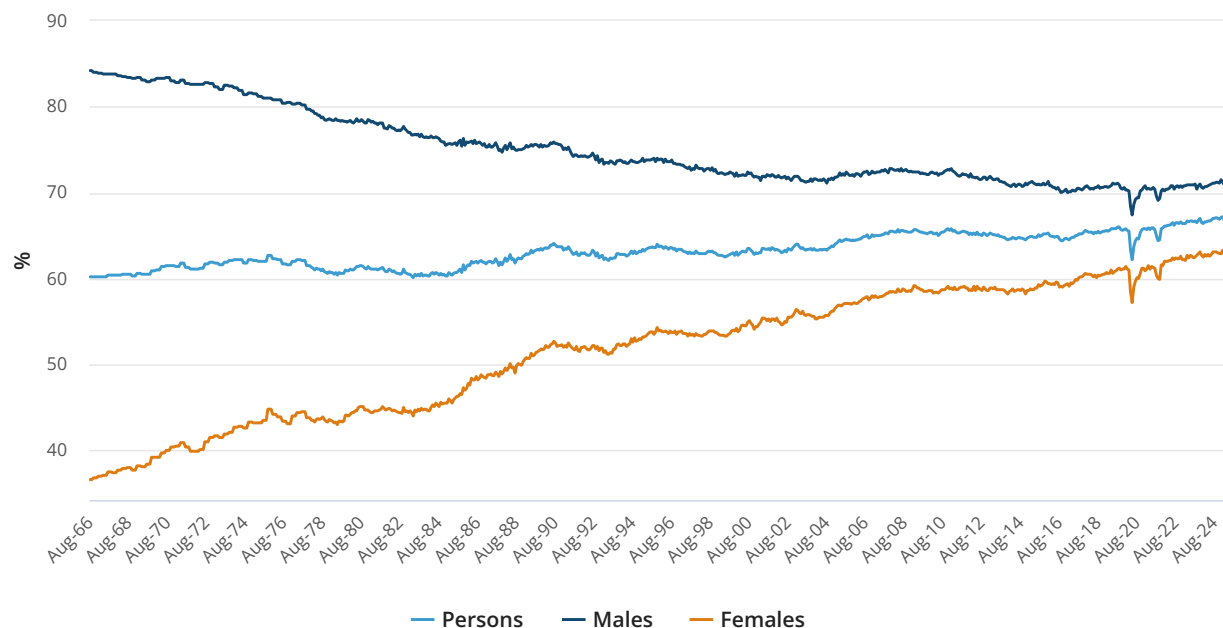
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Participation rate, Australia, August 1966 to February 2025, Seasonally adjusted



February 1978 to February 2025 estimated monthly, before February 1978 estimated quarterly

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Rotation group analysis

Sample composition and rotation

The Labour Force Survey sample can be thought of as comprising eight sub-samples (rotation groups), with each sub-sample remaining in the survey for eight months, and one group "rotating out" each month and being replaced by a new group "rotating in". As seven-eighths of the sample are common from one month to the next, changes in the estimates reflect real changes in the labour market, rather than changes in the sample. The replacement sample is generally selected from the same geographic areas as the outgoing one, as part of a representative sampling approach.

The sample comprises three components:

- the matched common sample (people who responded in both the current month and previous month)
- the unmatched common sample (people who responded in the current month but who did not respond in the previous month, or vice versa)
- the incoming rotation group (replacing people who rotated out)

The matched common sample describes the change observed for the same respondents in the current and previous month, while the other two components reflect differences between the aggregate labour force status of different

groups of people.

While the rotation groups are designed to be representative of the population, the outgoing and incoming rotation groups will almost always have somewhat different characteristics, as they reflect different households and people. The design of the survey, including the weighting and estimation processes, ensures that these differences are generally relatively minor and do not affect the representativeness of the survey and its estimates. Monthly estimates are designed to be representative, regardless of the relative contribution of the three components of the sample.

The contributions of the three sample components to the original estimates of employed, unemployed and not in the labour force are in the Contribution from sample components to estimates spreadsheet.

Estimates for the incoming and outgoing rotation groups

Incoming and outgoing rotation groups

	January outgoing rotation group	February incoming rotation group	February outgoing rotation group	February estimate (Original)
Employment to population ratio	62.6%	64.3%	64.5%	65.1%
Full-time employment to population ratio	43.8%	44.8%	44.6%	45.1%
Unemployment rate	5.1%	4.5%	4.6%	4.4%
Participation rate	66.0%	67.4%	67.5%	68.1%

States and Territories

In addition to analysis across the entire sample, the ABS also undertakes similar analysis for the responding sample in each state and territory each month, and highlights where there is a notable change for users to be aware of. In February, there were no noteworthy differences in the responding sample that were contributing to monthly movements for any of the states and territories. As with any notable month-to-month movement of this nature in state and territory estimates, the ABS recommends exercising a degree of caution in interpreting short-term changes.

As for its reporting for the entire sample, where the ABS has not highlighted a notable incoming rotation group effect, any larger changes should therefore be considered to reflect a broader change across the sample.

Comparability with seasonally adjusted and trend data

The gross flows and rotation group data are in original terms only, and are included to provide additional information on the month-to-month movements. They have a considerable level of inherent sampling variability, which is specifically adjusted for in the trend and seasonally adjusted series. The trend data provides the best measure of the underlying behaviour of the labour market and is the focus of the commentary in this publication.

Contribution from sample components to estimates

 [Download XLSX](#)
[42.17 KB]

Data downloads

Labour Force Survey results are released in three stages.

1. Spreadsheets of the headline indicators are published in this release

2. Additional, more detailed spreadsheets and pivot tables are published in [Labour Force, Australia, Detailed \(/statistics/labour/employment-and-unemployment/labour-force-australia-detailed/latest-release\)](#) one week after this first release

3. Longitudinal labour force microdata are released in the ABS DataLab on a monthly basis, one day after the detailed release (see [Microdata: Longitudinal Labour Force, Australia \(/statistics/microdata-tablebuilder/available-microdata-tablebuilder/longitudinal-labour-force-australia\)](#).)

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The ABS is currently reviewing the usefulness of the market and non-market sector data in Table 21 of the headline Labour Force release.

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